Evaluation of SW Radiance Errors from NB-BB Regression Algorithm

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MOTIVATION

Develop MODIS-CERES narrowband to broadband regressions to convert clear-sky MODIS NB radiances to BB SW radiances which then are used together with CERES ADMs to estimate radiative fluxes for aerosol forcing studies.

Methodology

• CERES SSF Data

- 46 months of CERES-MODIS Terra measurements (3/2000 12/2003)
- Cloud-free broadband FAPS over ocean/land (use CERES cloud mask)
- MODIS radiances (@ 0.63,1.64,0.86 μm channels) -> clear portion

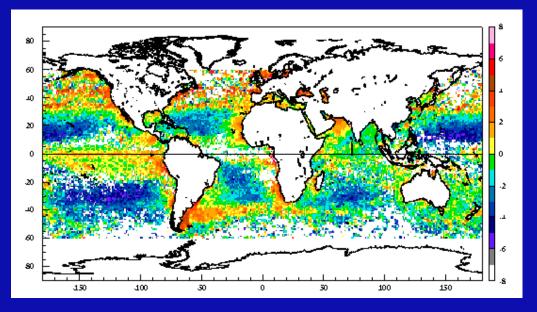
• Formulation of Regressions

- multi-channel regression fits

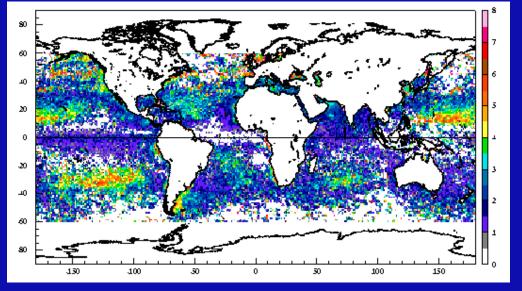
$$I_{sw} = a_o + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\lambda}} a_i I_i$$

- function of viewing geometry -> $\Delta\Theta_0$ =10°, $\Delta\Theta$ =10°, $\Delta\Phi$ =20°
- monthly sets of regression coefficients to account for seasonal variations.
- Ocean and Land (forest, savanna, grass/cropland, dark desert, bright desert)

Relative Bias and RMS Error in Ocean SW Radiance for DJF

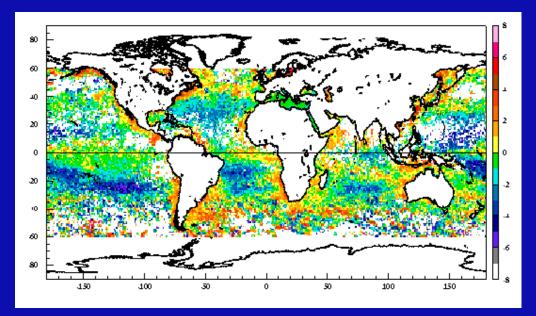


Relative Bias Error (%)

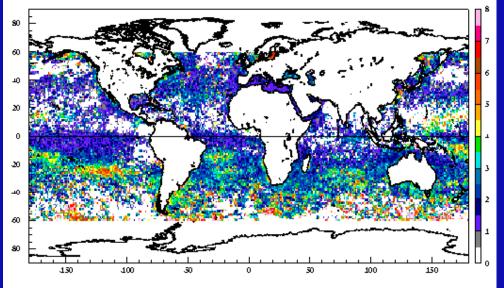


Relative RMS Error (%)

Relative Bias and RMS Error in Ocean SW Radiance for JJA

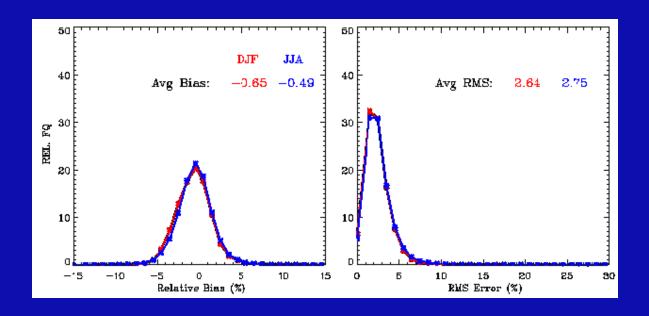


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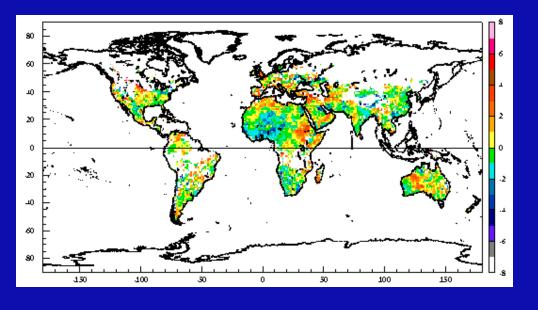


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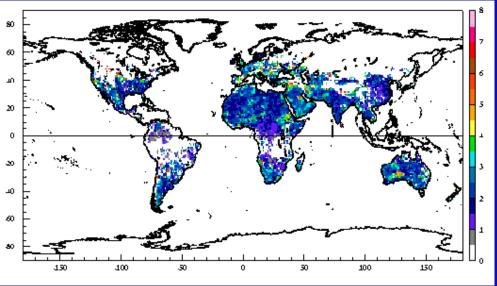
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Relative Bias and RMS Error in Land SW Radiance for DJF

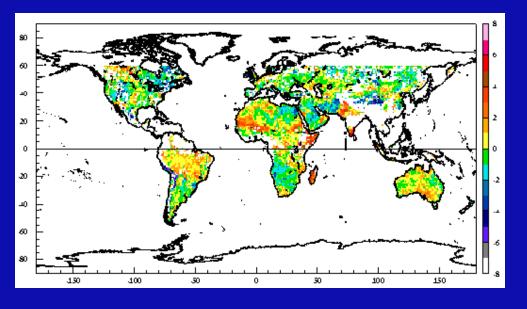


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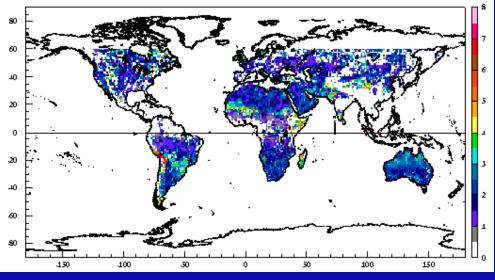


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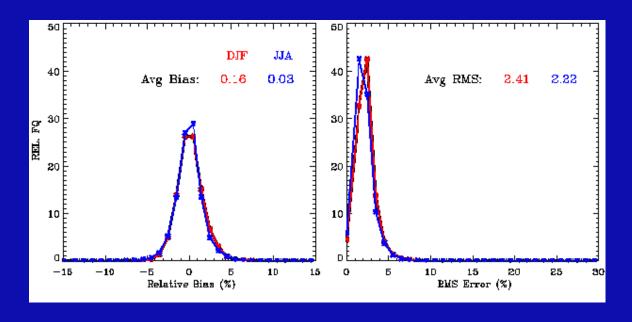


Relative Bias Error (%)



Relative RMS Error (%)

Relative Bias and RMS Error in SW Radiances from NB->BB Regression Fits in 1° x 1° Regions (Land) in DJF and JJA



Summary of Results

- MODIS-CERES narrowband-to-broadband regressions are used to convert clear sky MODIS NB radiances to BB SW radiances.
- The uncertainty in the estimated SW radiances are in the order of 2.41% (land) 2.75%(ocean) after averaging over 1° x 1° latitude-longitude regions.

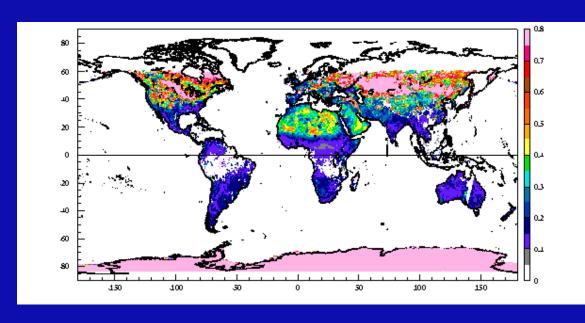
Comparison of MODIS and MISR Surface Albedo Products

Directional-Hemispherical Reflectance/Black-sky Albedo

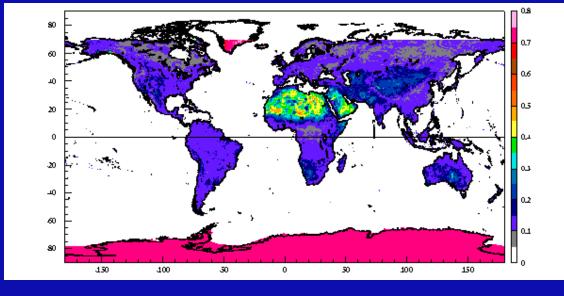
Definition: Albedo of the surface in the absence of the diffuse component.

- MODIS (Black-sky albedo)
 - Statistical Product (Filled Land Surface Albedo Product)
 - generated from MOD43B3
 - 16-day period
 - 7 spectral bands (0.47-2.1 μ m) and VIS, NIR and SW BB (0.3-5.0 μ m)
 - computed at local solar noon
 - uses a "kernel-driven" semi-empirical BRDF model from which BSA is computed
- MISR (Directional-Hemispherical Reflectance)
 - 4 spectral bands (0.44, 0.55, 0.67, 0.86 μ m) and SW BB (0.4-2.5 μ m)
 - monthly product (Level 3 0.5 deg equal angle grid)
 - uses a parameterized BRDF surface model

Broadband DHR for MODIS/MISR for January 2001

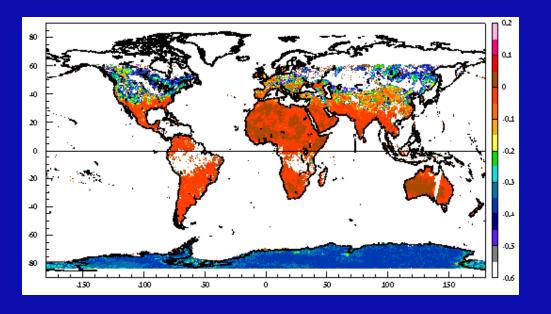


MISR DHR

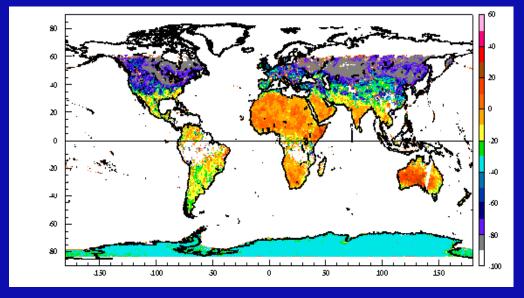


MODIS DHR

Broadband DHR Difference (MODIS-MISR) for January 2001

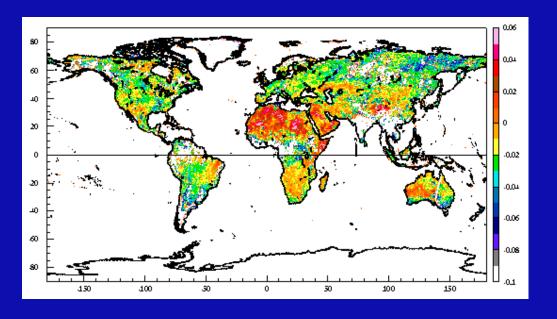


Absolute ΔDHR

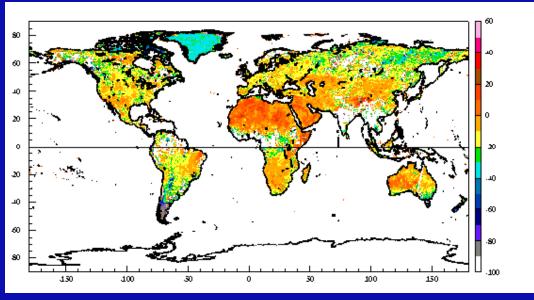


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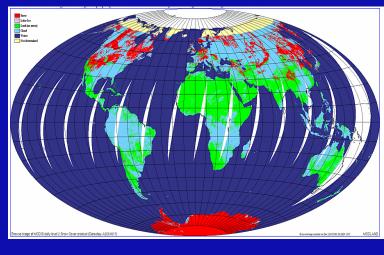


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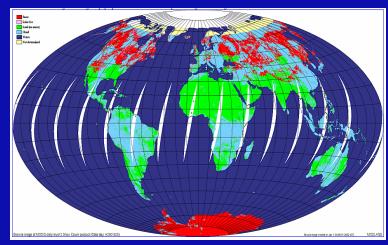


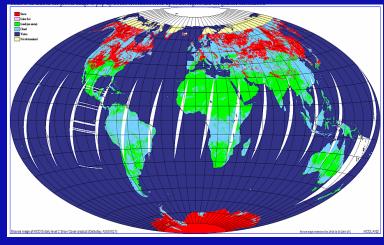
RELATIVE ΔDHR (%)

MODIS Snow Cover (MOD10) for January 2001





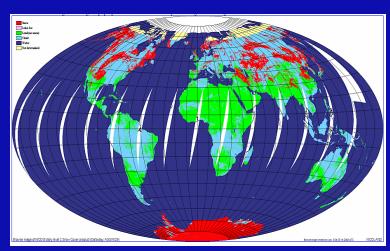




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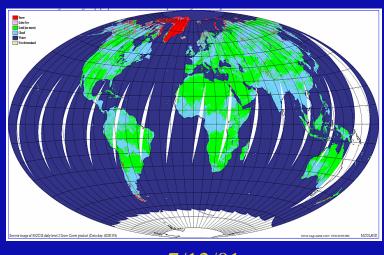
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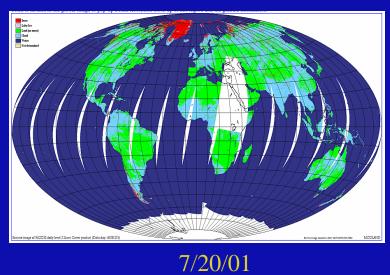


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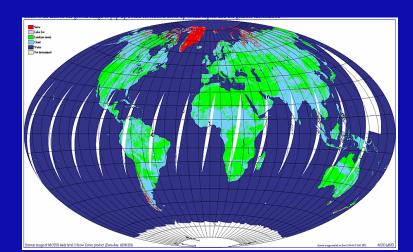


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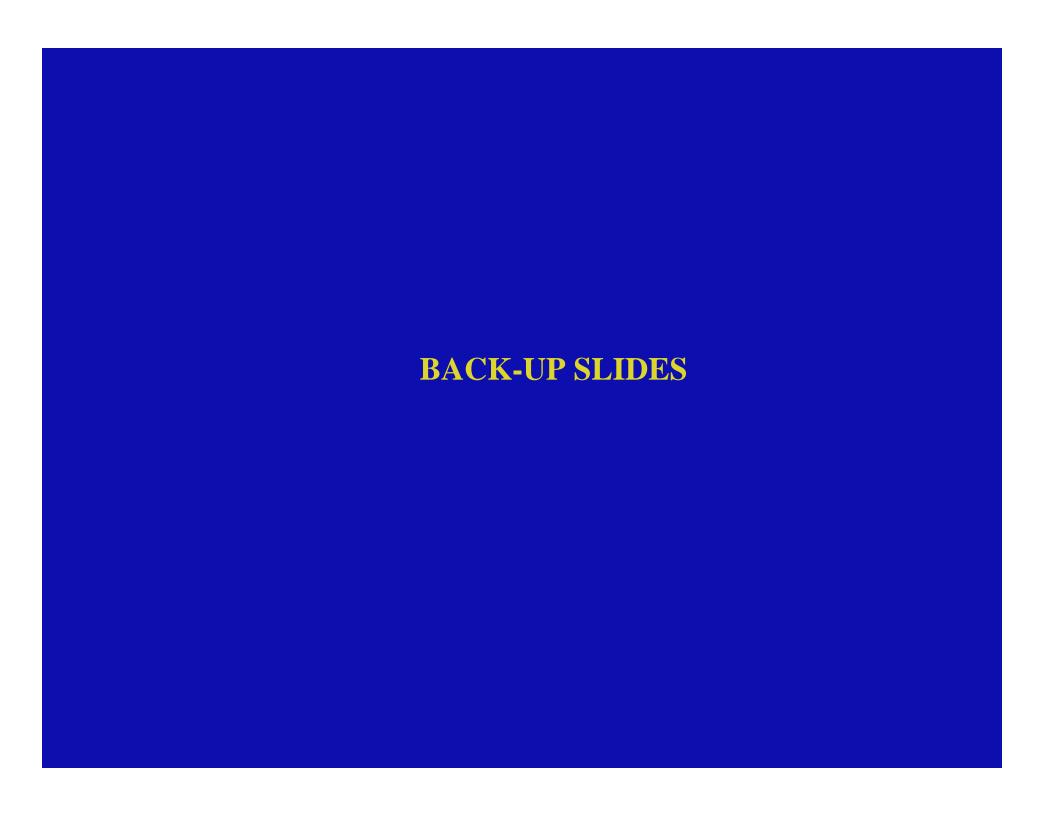
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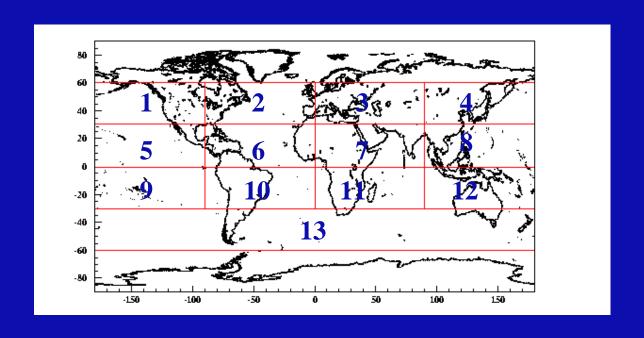
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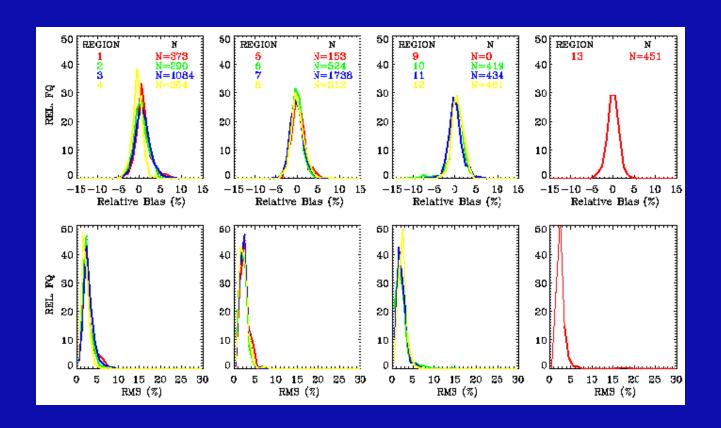
- MISR DHR is generally higher than MODIS BSA except for deserts.
- MODIS BSA and MISR DHR are similar in regions with no snow coverage.
- Need to investigate reasons for differences between albedo products
 - NB->BB conversion techniques (spectral albedo comparisons show same patterns)
 - processing procedures in the presence of snow
 - differences in computation of DHR



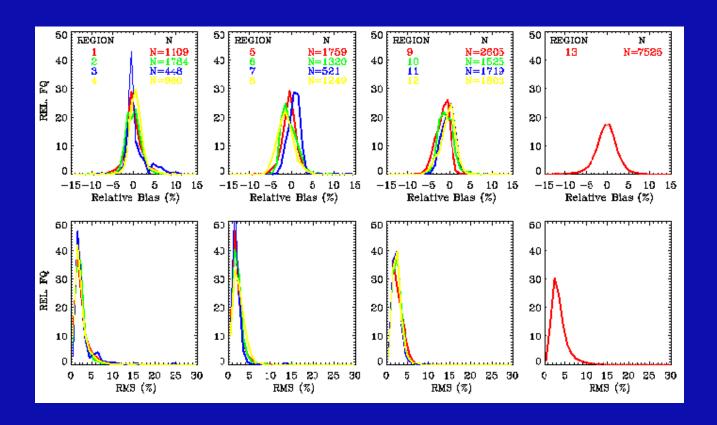
STRATIFICATION BY REGION



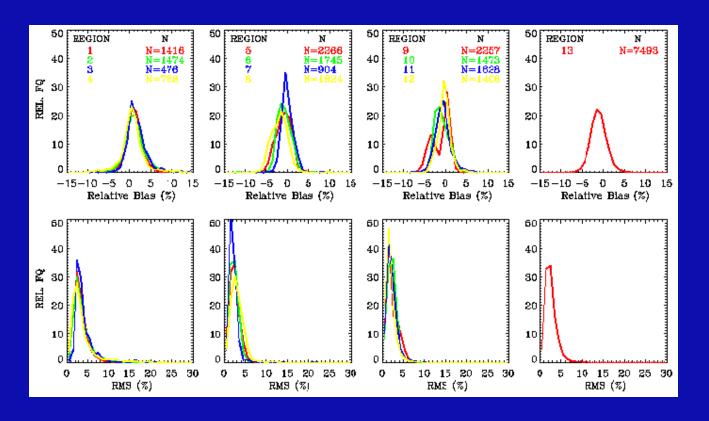
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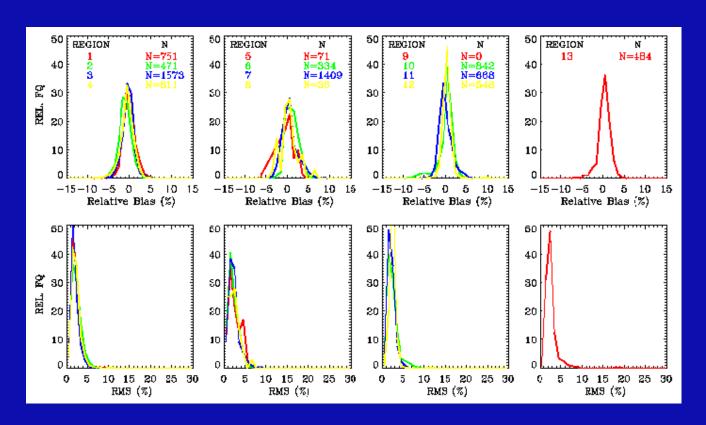
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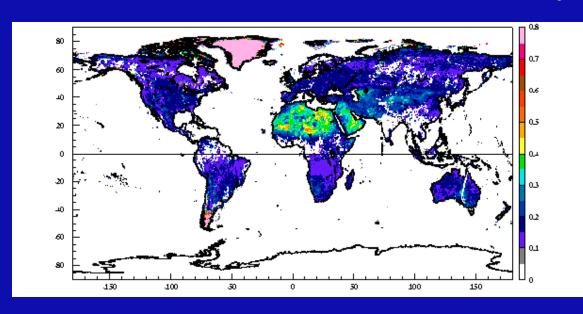
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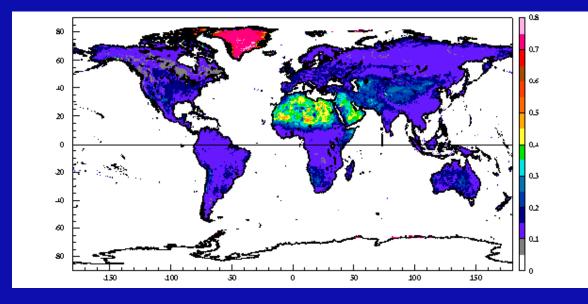
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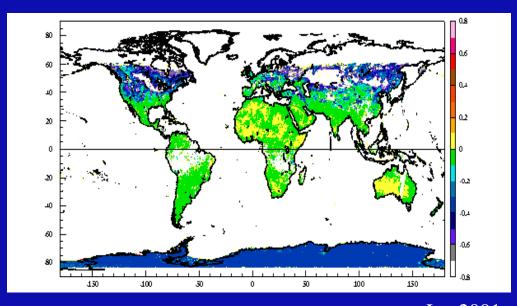
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MISR DHR

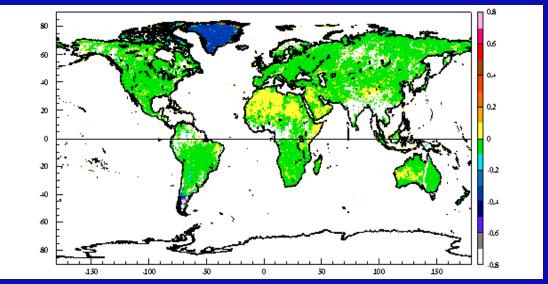


MODIS DHR



Absolute ΔDHR

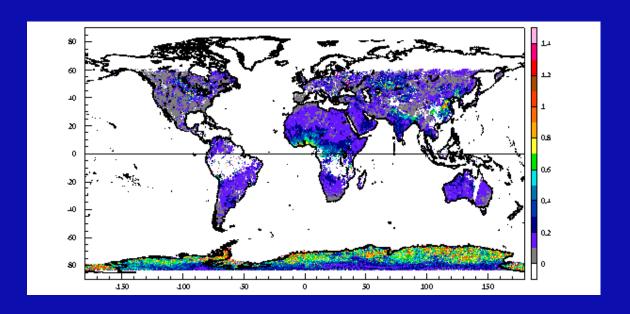
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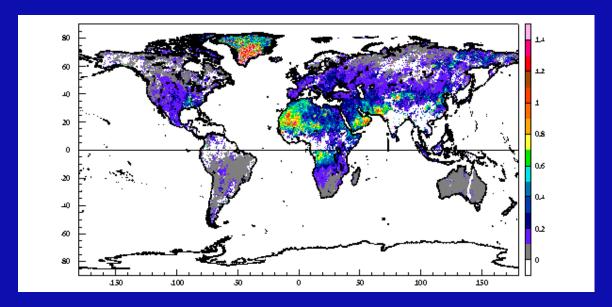
Absolute ΔDHR

Jul 2001

MISR Aerosol Optical Depth (550 nm) for Jan, Jul 2001

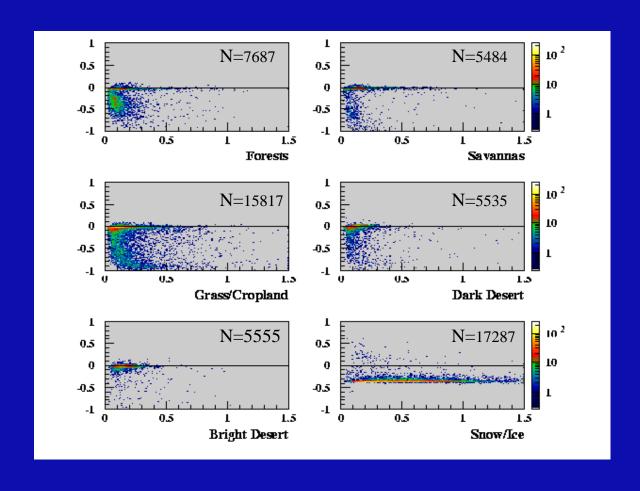


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ΔDHR vs.. MISR Aerosol Optical Depth (550 nm) for January 2001



ΔDHR vs.. MISR Aerosol Optical Depth (550 nm) for July 2001

